

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A portal application, embodied on a tangible computer readable medium, comprising instructions which causes a processor-based device to provide ~~for providing~~ access from a client to a multimedia service, the portal application comprising instructions for:

a portal core service;

a user management core service; and

a plurality of special services, each structured according to a model-view-controller architecture, each of said special services comprising:

at least one model containing data;

a controller for the special service; and

at least one view for the presentation of the data of a model,

wherein each of the plurality of special services are designed to communicate with each of a remaining plurality of special services directly, via the controller of the special service.

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): The portal application according to claim 1, wherein the controller of a service is designed to control at least a second controller, wherein said second controller is contained in said service or in a different service.

Claim 3 (Previously Presented): The portal application according to claim 1, wherein the controller of a service is designed to control a plurality of views, each of said plurality of views allows a different presentation.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): The portal application according to claim 3,  
wherein the controller of a service is designed to select one of the plurality of views of  
the service in accordance with a mark-up language used.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): The portal application according to claim 4,  
wherein the controller is designed to select one of the plurality of views for the  
presentation in accordance with at least one of a browser characteristic of the client, device  
characteristics, a time and/or date, a location, a language, and one or more user preferences.

Claim 6 (Canceled).

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A portal application, embodied on a tangible  
computer readable medium, comprising instructions which causes a processor-based device  
to provide for providing access from a client to a multimedia service, said portal application  
comprising instructions for:

a portal core service;

a user management core service; and

at least ~~one~~ two special services structured according to the model-view-controller  
architecture, ~~said each~~ special service comprising:

at least one model containing data;

at least one controller; and

a plurality of views for a presentation of data of at least one model, wherein  
~~wherein~~

each special service is designed to communicate with the other special  
services via a respective controller;

said plurality of views is representative of at least two different mark-up languages,  
~~wherein~~ service relative content of each of said plurality of views is identical,  
and  
~~wherein~~ a state of the controller is determined in accordance with an earlier client's request.

Claim 8 (Canceled).

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): A method for accessing a portal application implemented on a multipurpose computer from a client, wherein the portal application comprises a portal core service, a user management core service, and a plurality of special services each of said services structured according to the Model-View-Controller architecture, the method comprising the steps of:

    sending a request to a first core service responsible for user management and/or administrative processing;

    forwarding, according to the model-view-controller architecture, the request from the first core service to a second special service; and

    establishing a direct communication link between the client and the second special service.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The method according to claim 9,  
wherein the special services are distributed over a network.